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FREE Residential Roofing Safety Training

Indianapolis, IN May 3, 2007 – Indiana Department of Labor (IDOL) Commissioner Lori A. Torres has announced that INSafe (formerly BuSET) will work with Zionsville-based Safety Resources, Inc. to provide Residential Roofing Safety Training in the Fort Wayne, Indiana region on May 15, 2007.

IDOL's INSafe Division works with employers, employees, labor unions, trade associations, and other organizations to strive for Hoosier occupational safety and health. "Workplace safety is a must, an effort that cannot be tackled alone by the IDOL. Collaborating with Safety Resources, Inc. is an example of one of the calculated efforts that we've put in place to help ensure workplace safety and health," commented Commissioner Torres. Safety Resources, Inc. Vice President Gary Gagliardi agreed with Commissioner Torres, "We feel our responsibility as a member of the safety community is to lend our assistance as we can, and we are pleased to assist INSafe in these endeavors."

Efforts to bring **free** Residential Roofing Safety Training are in response of data collected and analyzed by the IDOL's Quality Metrics & Statistics Division. "In 2005 alone, there were 110 cases of individuals falling from roofs in Indiana. Nearly 88 (80%) of the 110 cases of the affected workers were away from work for at least a month and two cases resulted in fatalities," stated IDOL Deputy Commissioner—Quality Metrics & Statistics, Elizabeth Friend.

The class will be taught by instructors from Safety Resources, Inc. and will be four (4) hours in length. Class will focus on IOSHA requirements, best practices in residential roofing, techniques, personal protective equipment and fall protection—types and use. Materials and training are provided at no charge to the participants.

Registration for the course is limited to the first 50 participants. For further information, interested individuals may contact Safety Resources, Inc. at (317) 871-8148 or Toll Free 1-800-641-5990.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Deputy Commissioner—INSafe, Quin Cheatham at 317.232.2683.

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